

Rice CISD Gives Dress Code Highlights For 2008-2009 Year

The District's dress code is established to value grooming and hygiene as a means to ensure personal safety and to prevent academic disruption or interruption.

Students should learn to dress appropriately for the school/work environment.

Given that school is the students' workplace, they are expected to dress in a way appropriate to that environment.

Parents are asked to assist administrators and faculty in keeping with dress code policy to minimize disciplinary actions against such violations.

All students should be well groomed with daily personal hy-

giene habits.

***Please Note: Any fad or dress type that may be disruptive or immodest may be corrected at the discretion of the campus administrator.**

Clothing

All shirts must have sleeves—boys and girls

Should be appropriate in size to cover undergarments, midriff, chest, back, and upper-thighs.

Clothing and accessories with suggestive symbols, writing, or subliminal messages are considered a personal safety hazard and disruptive to the learning environment and therefore not permitted.

Hair

Abnormal hair color or hair-

do is prohibited. (Mohawks, logos, patterns, names, symbols, words)

Boys

All pants and shorts must be worn above the top of the buttocks, no sagging

Shirts may be worn untucked but must not extend below the bottom of the buttocks.

Basketball jerseys must be worn over a T-shirt.

Hair length must not extend below the collar of a dress shirt, not extend below the eyebrows, and not below the earlobes on the sides.

No earrings or Band-Aids that cover earrings.

Facial hair must be shaved at all times.

Sideburns are allowed but can not extend below the bottom of the earlobe.

Hair must not be bound in a ponytail. Rubber bands and ties on braids must match hair color.

Girls

No visible cleavage or low necklines.

All pants and shorts must be worn above the top of the buttocks.

Shorts, skirts and dresses must extend to mid thigh.

No slits in skirts allowed if higher than the longest finger when student is standing erect.

Midriffs and crop tops which allow for exposure of skin at any time in the mid-section are not allowed.

Dresses may not be backless and supporting straps must be at least 3 inches in width and allowed only at banquets and must at least be to mid thigh in length..

Hair rollers are not permitted.

Earrings: visible piercing allowed in the ears only.

Shirts may be worn untucked but must not extend below the bottom of the buttocks.

Basketball jerseys must be worn over a T-shirt.

Miscellaneous Prohibited Items

Clothing that has holes which reveal skin or undergarments will not be allowed.

See-through clothing. Dark glasses or sunglasses. Caps, hats, bandanas, wave caps, scarves, or any other head gear

House shoes, sleep wear. Any clothing that the administration determines is inappropriate

Cutoffs, spandex, and pajamas

Bare feet. Rakes, picks, grooming combs may not be worn in hair

Anything that promotes alcohol, tobacco, or drug use. Wallet chains are not allowed.

The campus principal shall have the final say so in all matters relating to the dress code.

Comptroller Sets Sales Tax Holiday For August 15, 16, and 17

Texas shoppers get a break from state and local sales taxes on August 15, 16 and 17 - the state's annual tax holiday.

Lay-away plans can be used again this year to take advantage of the sales tax holiday.

The law exempts most cloth-

ing and footwear priced under \$100 from sales and use taxes, which could save shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend.

Backpacks under \$100 and

used by elementary and secondary students are also exempt.

A backpack is a pack with straps one wears on the back.

The exemption during the sales tax holiday includes backpacks with wheels, provided they can also be worn on the back like a traditional backpack, and messenger bags.

The exemption does not include items that are reasonably defined as luggage, briefcases, athletic/duffle/gym bags, computer bags, purses or framed backpacks.

Ten or fewer backpacks can be purchased tax-free at one time without providing an exemption certificate to the seller.

A word of caution: If you sell items that do not qualify for the exemption, you may not advertise or promise that you will pay your customers' sales tax.

Additionally, you are prohibited from advertising that you will not collect sales tax on items that do not qualify.

You may advertise that tax is included in the sales price of the taxable items that you sell, however.

For information on how to report tax on these sales, please visit Reporting Sales Tax on Tax-Free Items or call us toll free at (800) 252-5555.

List of Items and Their Exemption Status

TAX-FREE	TAXED
* Baby clothes	* Accessories (generally) - barrettes, elastic ponytail holders, wallets, watches
* Backpacks for use by elementary and secondary students	* Backpacks - unless for use by elementary and secondary students
* Belts with attached buckles	* Baseball cleats and pants
* Boots - cowboy, hiking	* Belt buckles (without belt)
* Caps/hats - baseball, fishing, golf, knitted	* Boots - climbing, fishing, rubber work boots, ski, waders
* Coats and wraps	* Buttons and zippers
* Diapers - adult and baby	* Cloth and lace, knitting yarns, and other fabrics
* Dresses	* Dry cleaning services
* Gloves (generally)	* Football pants
* Gym suits and uniforms	* Golf gloves
* Hooded shirts and hooded sweatshirts	* Handbags and purses
* Hosiery	* Handkerchiefs
* Jackets	* Hard hats
* Jeans	* Helmets - bike, baseball, football, hockey, motorcycle, sports
* Jerseys - baseball and football	* Ice skates
* Jogging apparel	* Jewelry
* Neckwear and ties	* Laundering services
* Pajamas	* Leather goods - except belts with buckles and wearing apparel
* Pants and trousers	* Pads - football, hockey, soccer, elbow, knee, shoulder
* Raincoats and ponchos	* Personal flotation devices
* Robes	* Rented clothing (including uniforms, formal wear, and costumes)
* Shirts	* Roller blades and skates
* Shoes - sandals, slippers, sneakers, tennis, walking	* Safety clothing, glasses
* Socks (including athletic)	* Shoes - bicycle (cleated), bowling, golf
* Shorts	
* Suits, slacks, and jackets	
* Sweatshirts	
* Sweat suits	
* Sweaters	
* Swimsuits	
* Underclothes	
* Work clothes and uniforms	

2008-2009 School Calendar

Jul-08					RICE C.I.S.D					Jan-09											
M	T	W	T	F	2008-2009 SCHOOL CALENDAR										M	T	W	T	F		
1	2	3	4		OPTION 1 (Approved 1.21.2008)												1	2			
7	8	9	10	11	First Semester										5	6	7	8	9		
14	15	16	17	18	Student Days	91	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23			
21	22	23	24	25	Teacher Days	96	26	27	28	29	30										
28	29	30	31		Second Semester																
					Student Days	89	Feb-09					M	T	W	T	F					
					Teacher Days	91	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			
					Reporting Periods					16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
					Days		Mar-09					M	T	W	T	F					
					1st 6 weeks	29	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			
					2nd 6 weeks	30	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27			
					3rd 6 weeks	32	Apr-09					M	T	W	T	F					
					4th 6 weeks	29	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17			
					5th 6 weeks	33	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30				
					6th 6 weeks	27	May-09					M	T	W	T	F					
					Total Student Days	180	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15			
					Three Week Grading Periods		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29			
					1st 6 weeks - 9/12		Jun-09					M	T	W	T	F					
					2nd 6 weeks - 10/24		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12			
					3rd 6 weeks - 12/12		15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26			
					4th 6 weeks - 2/6		29	30													
					5th 6 weeks - 3/27		Other														
					6th 6 weeks - 5/15		New Employee Inservice - 8/14														
					Student Holidays		Teacher/Staff Inservice - 8/18, 8/19, 8/20														
					Labor Day - 9/1	1	Preparation Days - 8/21, 8/22, 1/19, 6/4														
					Thanksgiving - 11/26 - 11/28	3															
					Christmas - 12/22 - 1/2	10															
					Spring Break - 3/16 - 3/20	5															
					Easter Holiday - 4/10, 4/13	2															
					Bad Weather Days - 4/13, 5/25																
					Total Number of Student Holidays	21															
					Baccalaureate - 31-May																
					High School Graduation - 3-Jun																
					Early Release Days																
					9/10, 10/22, 12/10, 12/19, 1/16, 2/4, 3/25, 5/13																
					6/3																
					Other																
					New Employee Inservice - 8/14																
					Teacher/Staff Inservice - 8/18, 8/19, 8/20																
					Preparation Days - 8/21, 8/22, 1/19, 6/4																



The Rice High School Flag Corps get ready for the upcoming season during workouts this week.

Bus Schedule

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Sheridan School Bus Information

Bus #9 - This bus will service the following areas: Oak Ridge Ranch, the in-town portion of Sheridan, and Rice High School.

Bus #24 - This bus will service the following areas: Sandy Creek, CR 255 North, and Lake Rd.

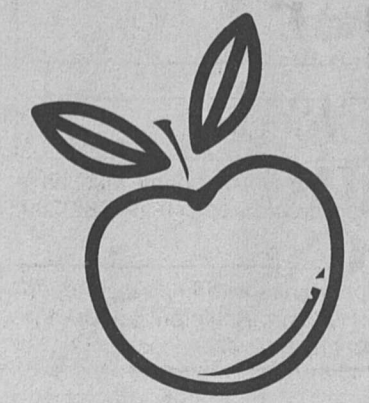
Bus #27 - This bus will service

the following areas: Oaks of Columbus, Rock Island, and along Highway 90A between Rock Island and Sheridan.

Other Bus Information
Bus #50 - Handicapped Route (Eagle Lake/Matthews)

Bus #11 - Adaptive Behavior Route

Bus #6 - Rice AEP Route



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